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“Welcome to this evening's Capital One Cup tie against Bolton Wanderers. I'm sure when the two sides were drawn to face each other in the second round draw two weeks ago that memories came flooding back for fans of both clubs.”

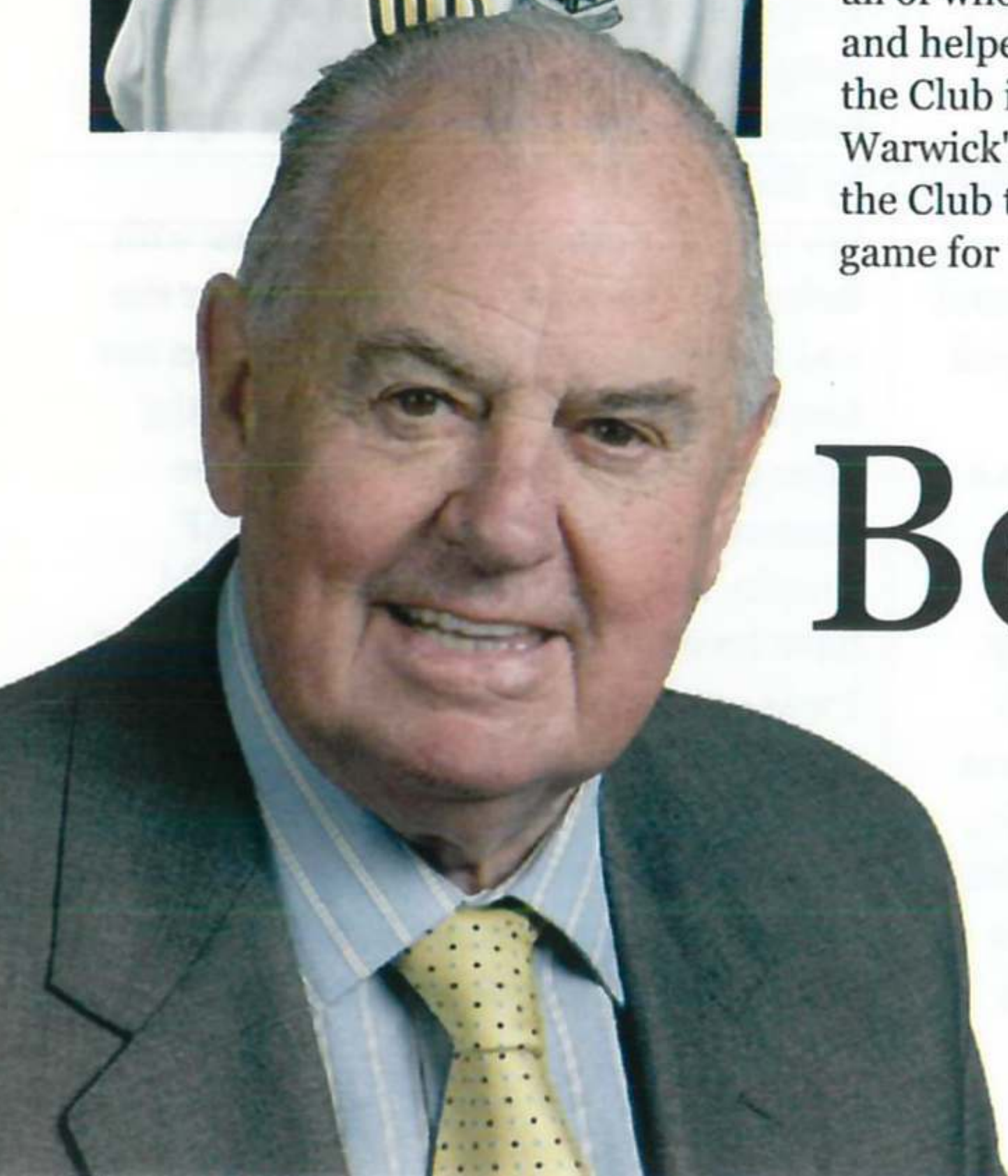


“Tranmere fans will no doubt fondly recall the victories in the 1990-91 Play Off final at Wembley Stadium and the 1999-2000 Worthington Cup semi-final legs at both the Reebok Stadium and Prenton Park. While there are a number of big matches to link the two clubs, there is arguably an even bigger connection between the two in our Head of Academy Recruitment and Welfare Officer, Warwick Rimmer. Warwick played more than 500 games in 18 years for Bolton after joining them at the age of 15. In fact, only three players in Bolton's history have made more appearances than Warwick and he was one of the first members of the Wanderers Hall of Fame. After retiring from playing he managed Crewe and the Sierra Leone national team before joining Tranmere's commercial department in the early 1980s. He then became Youth Development Officer at Prenton Park in 1987 which was when he began his remarkable work in recruiting and coaching a succession of young players who would go on to play regularly in the first team. Warwick was involved in the progression of the likes of Jason Koumas, Iain Hume, Ian Thomas-Moore, Ged Brannan, Alan Rogers, Tony Thomas, Ryan Taylor and Clint Hill, all of whom went on to play at a higher level and helped raise vital millions of pounds for the Club in transfer fees. It is a sign of Warwick's fantastic success in his work for the Club that despite having never played a game for Tranmere Rovers he is so highly

respected, liked and admired by supporters and staff. I'm sure seeing the two clubs play each other tonight will be an enjoyable night for Warwick.

I hope you will join me in welcoming the directors, officials and supporters who have made the relatively short journey from Bolton tonight. Bolton have had a difficult start in the Championship this season with two points from three games at the time of writing. But they have a very talented squad and, like ourselves, will be confident of climbing the table in the coming weeks. I wish them the best of luck for the rest of the season.

After Saturday's away game at Oldham Athletic we return to Prenton Park on Tuesday, 3 September when we host Fleetwood Town in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy. We have reduced admission prices for the tie to only £10 for Adults and £5 for concessions while full paying Adults are entitled to one free Junior ticket - more details are on page 11 of tonight's programme. The Fleetwood game is the third home match of five in the space of three weeks with matches against Stevenage and Brentford to follow in early September. To help our supporters we are offering a £5 discount for Adults who purchase tickets for both of these matches at the same time and £2.50 discount for concessions. We hope these offers will make it easier for you to watch the team.”



Boardroom Briefing

Peter Johnson



The Manager

“Welcome to tonight’s Capital One Cup second round tie against Bolton Wanderers. The Bank Holiday means I’ve had to write these notes before the Peterborough game has been played so hopefully we’re going into tonight’s match on the back of a good result and performance.”

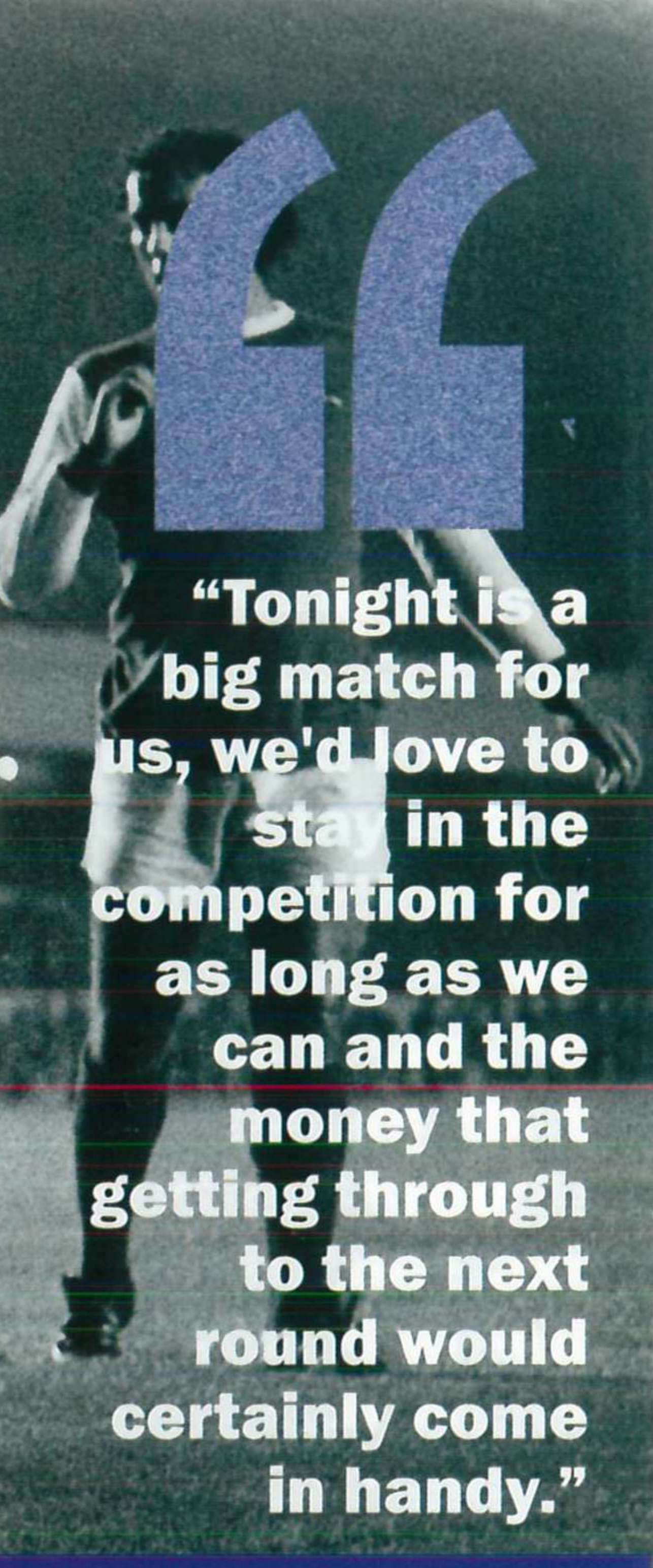
“Any cup tie brings back memories and I’ve got a few good ones from the League Cup and oddly enough the two main ones both involve Arsenal. As a player I went to Highbury with Tranmere in October 1973 and we managed to beat them 1-0. I was playing at the back with Ron Yeats and Eddie Loyden scored the winner...it was

an amazing result. In fact I think we’re the only English club to have a 100% record at Highbury because of that game. I can still remember the train journey home, we couldn’t believe what we had managed to do. We went to Manchester United in the second round a few seasons later but we couldn’t pull off another upset. It was a great experience to play at Old Trafford in a Tranmere shirt though.

As a Manager I took Rotherham to Arsenal in 2003-04 and we ended up losing on penalties. It was the match Cesc Fabregas made his Arsenal debut in and they also had Gael Clichy, Edu, Sylvain Wiltord and Kanu playing. We were 1-0 down for most of the match but got an equaliser through Darren

Byfield in the last minute. We had our keeper sent off in extra time so had to hang on for penalties and ended up losing 9-8. I think it was almost 11pm by the time the match ended!

We’ve had quite a few good games with Bolton in the past, the main one for me was the Play Off final in 1991. It was our fourth time at Wembley in 12 months after getting to the Play Off final the season before and the Leyland DAF Trophy two seasons in a row two. I’d have loved to have still been playing but I was on the coaching staff at that point and was watching from the dugout when Chris Malkin scored the winner. But it’s about tonight’s game now. I’d like to welcome Dougie Freedman, Lennie Lawrence, the Bolton staff,



“Tonight is a big match for us, we'd love to stay in the competition for as long as we can and the money that getting through to the next round would certainly come in handy.”

Ronnie Moore

players and supporters to Prenton Park tonight. I know Lennie really well as he used to be my manager at Charlton and I think Dougie did well to bring Lennie in to work with him. Lennie was brilliant with me, he made me captain at Charlton and offered me a job on the coaching staff but I decided to continue my playing career instead. It will be nice to see him again but we can't both win. I wish them the best of luck with their season in the Championship but hope tonight we'll come out on top.

Tonight is a big match for us, we'd love to stay in the competition for as long as we can and the money that getting through to the next round would certainly come in handy. But it will be a tough match against a Championship club and we have to make sure we're at our best.”

Lennie Lennie



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FIRST MEETING OF SUPPORTERS LIAISON GROUP HELD

The Club recently held its first meeting with the supporters who registered to be part of the newly formed Supporter Liaison Group.

Attending from the Club were:

Mick Horton, Chief Executive

Sue Beedles, Supporter Liaison Officer and Office Manager

Liz Dicastiglione, Commercial Sales & New Business Development Manager

Christine Roberts, Club Shop & Ticket Office Manager and Disabled Supporters Officer

We met with five supporters who all expressed various areas they felt needed improving or had concerns about including:

*Ticket initiatives

*Lounges and bars

*Communication

*Why aren't kids 'feeling it'?

*Season ticket sales

*Merchandise

The Club representatives felt it would be good to also discuss:

*Marketing

*The stadium

*Attracting new and lapsed supporters

*Sponsorships

After the initial introductions the group discussed in more detail the situation with the bars and lounges at the Club in particular Aldo's. We explained that to fix the roof of Aldo's it would cost approximately £95,000 and until that is done there is little point in spending money on the interior which everyone agreed is very dated. We have agreed to try to make some improvements inside with some fundraising initiatives and make it more of a 'Supporters' Bar' on matchdays with offers on beer, perhaps a compere to chat about team selection, raffles or competitions and we will target a game to relaunch Aldo's. We will come back to supporters with that date as soon as we have it. When we next meet we will discuss ticket offers and season tickets so if any supporters have any issues about improving the matchday experience in Aldo's or any ticketing initiatives please email customerservice@tranmererovers.co.uk or write to Sue Beedles at the Club.

FLEETWOOD TROPHY VISIT

The Club has reduced admission prices for the Johnstone's Paint Trophy First Round tie against Fleetwood Town at Prenton Park on Tuesday 3 September, kick off 7.00pm to just £10 for Adults and £5 concessions.

In addition, full paying Adults purchasing match tickets from the Ticket Office or Club Shop will be entitled to ONE free Junior ticket. This offer applies to stand tickets, not executive suites.

Adults, Seniors (65+) and Under-17s can pay cash on the turnstiles (tickets required in advance for the Main Stand and Family Paddock as usual). Seniors will need to provide photographic proof of age. Young Persons need to buy tickets from the Club Shop or Ticket Office prior to the match with valid ID.

As in previous seasons, due to the expected attendance for this fixture, only the following stands will be open: Main Stand, Paddocks and the Lower Kop. Visiting supporters will be situated in the Cowshed Stand.

Suite prices, which include free programmes and refreshments, have also been reduced for the match to:

Dixie Dean Suite: Adults £33, Juniors £16.50 (also includes hot meal)

Vice Presidents' Suite: Adults £23, Juniors £11.50 (also includes half time snack)

Tranmere Suite: Adults £18, Juniors £9.00

Tranmere Suite, Vice Presidents' Suite and Dixie Dean Suite season ticket holders will be admitted free of charge.



Rovers supporters are being asked to start the new season by giving blood at Prenton Park.

NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT) is urging people to spare an hour of their time to donate blood, with donation sessions planned in the Prentonian Suite throughout the year.

Anyone aged between 17-65, weighing more than 50 kg (7 stone 12lbs) and in general good health could potentially start saving lives by becoming a blood donor. There is no upper age limit for donors who have donated in the last two years.

The next sessions are being held in the Prentonian on Borough Road on Thursday, 29 August.



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Press Perspective



MONKEY GLANDS

“The talk surrounding Athletics before the 'World Championships' in Moscow once again focused on 'drug cheats', testing methods and lengths of bans.”

“The public will naturally remain suspicious of any outstanding athlete's achievements, be it Mo Farrah or Usain Bolt, but the future reputation of their sport needs 'clean athletes' and it is surely Farrah and Bolt who should be the heroes that our young aspiring runners look up to in future. Indeed I heard an interview with young sprinter, Adam Gemeli, after he'd finished behind Bolt in the 200 metres where he made a direct appeal to young people to 'Get Inspired' and find a discipline that they could enjoy. He had a chance to join Chelsea as a teenager but is now rising towards the top of the athletics tree – so let's encourage our young people to follow his example.

The use of drugs by footballers does not seem as much of an issue as in 'track and field' but is still there with a number of promising talents reported and charged before throwing their careers away. Even at Walsall on the opening day of the season I left a local radio colleague still waiting to interview double goal scorer Craig Westcarr who was still trying to provide 'a sample' after being chosen at random for a check. All sports are becoming increasingly vigilant in the fight.

Sportsmen and women are always looking for better nutrition and ways of improving performance but the dangers of stepping outside of the guidelines and being banned from the sport appear to be getting greater and greater.

In the past there have been some strange examples of performance enhancing methods but one of my favourites concerns

Frank Buckley, 'The Major', who managed Wolves from 1927 to 1944. His side were feared and respected but never won a trophy and in the end is probably best remembered for the so-called 'Monkey Gland Affair'. He was accused of injecting Wolves players with a form of gland treatment in order to improve their performance. At the time some called it immoral and a form of doping indeed one player was quoted as saying, 'We're not blooming guinea pigs'. The implantation of 'monkey glands' had been popularised in Russia in the 1920's amid claims from Serge Voronoff that 'the injection of testicular implants would rejuvenate the patient'. Essentially, like the 'Botox' treatments of today, it was an example of alternative medicine and a 'fad' of its day. In 1937 Buckley started treatments on his players over a 6 week period – Wolves form improved – and other clubs started to experiment with gland treatment including Portsmouth and Tottenham. Ironically Wolves faced Pompey in the 1939 FA Cup final which was dubbed the 'Monkey Gland Final' – Portsmouth won 4-1. In the same season 12 players from relegation bound Chelsea volunteered to have the treatment but still got relegated – wrong monkey glands perhaps!

In the close season that followed the FA decreed that while permissible individual players had the right to refuse the treatment – and so the 'monkey gland affair' disappeared from view.

Must go now – need to speak to my doctor about guinea pigs!



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In The Community



Calling all 16-18 Year Olds! The Tranmere Rovers FC NCS Autumn Programme is now Recruiting!

The Tranmere Rovers FC NCS Summer Programme has just finished and was a great success. For the initial two weeks of the programme the participants took part in two residentials, one being at Manor Adventure in Shropshire and the other at Carnatic Halls of Residence in Liverpool. During these weeks the participants took up many challenges, including rock climbing, kayaking, archery and obstacle courses. The final two weeks focused on the participants planning and the completion of their social action projects. They led the Active Rovers disabled football session held at the club, completed a sponsored walk and helped out at Edgeworth Care Home, to name a few.

They also had a special visitor last week during one of their sessions in the Club's Recreation Centre. While they were organising a fun coaching session with members of the Sam Bencheikh Memorial Fund Disability Club when first team striker Ryan Lowe arrived to help out. Ryan joined in the coaching and posed for photos with all involved.

After last week's graduation ceremony (pictured) we are now recruiting for the Tranmere Rovers FC NCS Autumn Programme and if you are 16-18 years old and are interested in finding out more or wanting to sign up, then contact Colin on 0151 608 2354 or email trfcommunity@hotmail.co.uk.



We're also involved in...

Tranmere Ladies kicked off their 2013-14 season last weekend with a home game against Chorley at Ashville.

The Ladies are next in action this Sunday away to Wakefield at Nostell Miners Welfare FC.



This season's league fixtures are listed below:

Sun Aug 18	H	CHORLEY
Sun Aug 25	A	Wakefield
Wed Aug 28	A	Liverpool Feds
Sun Sep 1	A	Mossley Hill
Thur Sep 5	H	MOSSLEY HILL
Sun Sep 8	A	Stockport County
Sun Sep 15	A	Middlesbrough
Sun Sep 22	H	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN
Sun Sep 29	A	Huddersfield Town
Sun Oct 6	A	Cheadle Heath Nomads
Sun Oct 13	H	LEEDS CITY VIXENS
Sun Oct 20	A	Chester-le-Street Town
Sun Oct 27	A	Leeds City Vixens
Sun Nov 10	H	MIDDLESBROUGH
Sun Nov 17	A	Chorley FC
Sun Nov 24	H	SHEFFIELD UNITED COMMUNITY
Sun Dec 8	H	CHESTER-LE-STREET TOWN
Sun Dec 15	A	Sheffield United Community
Sun Dec 22	H	CHEADLE HEATH NOMADS
Sun Jan 5	H	STOCKPORT COUNTY
Sun Jan 12	H	WAKEFIELD
Sun Jan 19	H	LIVERPOOL FEDS

Home games played at Villa Park, Ashville FC, kick off 2.00pm
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Official Ladies Website: www.tranmereroversladiesfc.webs.com



The Wall

...All your matchday messages...



WELCOME!

Welcome to **Oisin Ronan** who has travelled from Ireland to tonight's game with his Uncle Ned. We hope you enjoy the match!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy **40th** Birthday long time supporter **Mark Brereton**, for this coming Thursday. Best wishes from all the Family and all your friends here at Tranmere Rovers FC!

PROGRAMME COLLECTION UP FOR GRABS

A reminder that long time supporter **John Clausen** is reluctantly looking to part with his **Rovers programme collection of 400+ issues** and is open to any offers. In the first instance, any interested parties should contact tonyc@tranmererovers.co.uk for further details.

Messages and photos can be placed on the Messageboard free of charge - so send yours to:
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How many players can you name...and which season?



Answer from last programme: 1986-87...

Back (l-r): Shaun Garnett, Andy Thorpe, Mark Hughes, Eric McManus, Darrell Grierson, Ronnie Moore, Steve Vickers, Alan Hay.

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Tweets Our question was?: "What was the first League Cup tie involving Tranmere you went to?"



@mickwood71 @tranmererovers I'm sure it was Boro 88 - they were Div 1 we were Div 4 and we battered them. 1-0 win from a flying Mark Hughes header #SWA



@will_costello @tranmererovers Blackpool away on a cold Tuesday night and we lost 2-1 never thought that was the start of a journey that ended at Wembley



@ChrisWatson54 @tranmererovers Nick Henry volleying us ahead in the semi final in 2000 #wembley #SWA



@TomGill1533 @tranmererovers 1st leg semi final vs Aston Villa back in '94 ... 3-1 to the Rovers! It still hurts that we went out on pens! #StillBitter



@SteveWilson1967 @tranmererovers I remember seeing Wigan play in the League Cup at Rovers - their first game as a league club. 1978 maybe?



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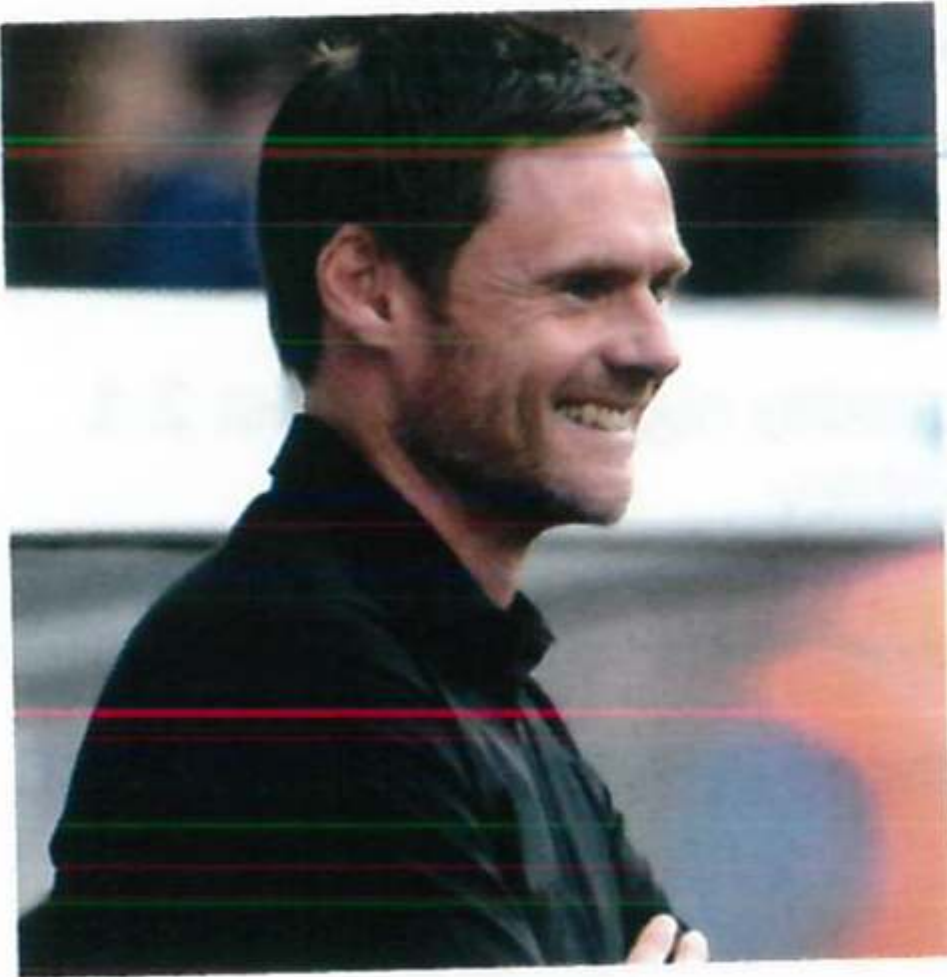


Have your say on these!...@tranmererovers

Up Next



NEXT AT HOME



Fleetwood Town



Johnstone's Paint Trophy First Round
Tuesday 3rd September 2013
PLEASE NOTE: Kick Off 7.00pm

SO FAR THIS SEASON?:

Graham Alexander's side has had an inconsistent start to the season as tonight's article was being written. Two wins – at home to Dagenham & Redbridge and away at Plymouth – have been cancelled out by a Capital One Cup defeat at Notts County plus a home league defeat to Burton Albion.

The Cod Army has welcomed five new faces to Highbury during the summer with defender Ryan Cresswell (Southend), Stephen Jordan (Dunfermline) and Mark Roberts (Stevenage) joining midfielders Stewart Murdoch (Falkirk) and Antoni Sarcevic (Chester).

LAST TIME THEY WERE HERE?

This is the first competitive meeting between Tranmere and Fleetwood.

Barring the friendly fixture played in August of last year at Highbury Stadium, you can though go back to the pre-Football League years, when Rovers faced an incarnation - known as Fleetwood FC - of the current club in the Lancashire Combination Division One.

You then discover during the 1914-15 season a 5-3 victory at Prenton Park and a 3-2 defeat on grounds near to the North Euston Hotel in the town.

The first ever meeting was on Boxing Day 1910, and resulted in 3-5 defeat for Rovers at Prenton Park, played in front of 2,000 spectators.

ON THE ROAD

Oldham Athletic



Sky Bet League 1
Saturday 31st August 2013
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SO FAR THIS SEASON?

An opening day 4-3 win at Stevenage has been the only success for the Latics thus far as they bowed out of the Capital One Cup at home to Derby, which was followed by a 1-0 home reversal by Walsall and a 2-1 defeat at Peterborough.

Lee Johnson, in his first role as a manager, has brought in midfielder Korey Smith from Norwich after a loan spell last season, forward Charlie MacDonald from Leyton Orient, midfielder Anton Rodgers from Brighton and forward Adam Rooney from Birmingham.

LAST TIME WE VISITED?

Saturday 10th November 2012, Oldham Athletic 0-1 Tranmere Rovers

Oldham: Bouzanis, Wabara, Tarkowski, Byrne (M'Changama 73), Grounds, Croft (Sutherland 84), Wesolowski (Smith 57), Furman, Montano, Derbyshire, Baxter. **Subs not used:** Cisak, Brown, Taylor, Cooper.

Tranmere: Fon Williams, Holmes (Kay 14), Taylor, Gibson, Bakayogo, Thompson (Harrison 77), Palmer, Wallace, McGurk, Cassidy, Jervis (Stockton 83). **Subs not used:** Mooney, Goodison, Kirby, Power.

Goalscorers: McGurk (54).

Attendance: 5,159.

IF YOU HAVEN'T BEEN THERE BEFORE:

The away support now takes up the smaller section of the Rochdale Road Stand, behind the goal.

Plenty of noise can be made if the opportunity is taken, as Boundary Park remains a three-sided venue with the demolition of the Broadway Lookers Stand in past seasons. Ongoing building work however will ensure that by the end of this season a new modern structure will go up in its place, surpassing the stadium current 10,000 capacity.



Ticket Information

...FORTHCOMING HOME GAMES...

Fleetwood Town



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Super White Snapshot



Junior Superwhites

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Welcome back to all our Junior Superwhites - and to tonight's Capital One Cup game - our second home cup match of the season...

Happy Birthday to all our Junior Superwhites with birthdays coming up: Jack Donoghue, Scott Kelly. We hope you have a good day from everyone at TRFC

GUESS THE GATE

Because of the Bank Holiday weekend we've had to finish this page before the Peterborough game so we'll announce that winner, and the winner from tonight, in the Stevenage programme.

NEWSLETTER

Just a last reminder that we will be sending out the first newsletter of the season at beginning of September and we want you to tell us about your Tranmere experiences. It could be all about your first away trip, or meeting the players, it's totally up to you. Also send your question in so we can ask Max Power. Send in your stories and question to jsw@tranmererovers.co.uk before the 28th August and we'll put them in the newsletter.

TONIGHT MASCOT IS:

Joshua Ellis
AGE: 10
FAVOURTIE SUBJECT: Maths
FAVOURTIE TV PROGRAMME: The Football League Show
FAVOURTIE FOOD: Homemade chips with Pizza
FAVOURITE HOLIDAY: Majorca
HOBBIES: Playing and watching Football and teasing his dad when Everton lose
FAVOURITE Player: Ryan Lowe
What do you think the score will be? 2-1 to Rovers

Enjoy the game! x

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Guess The Trophy



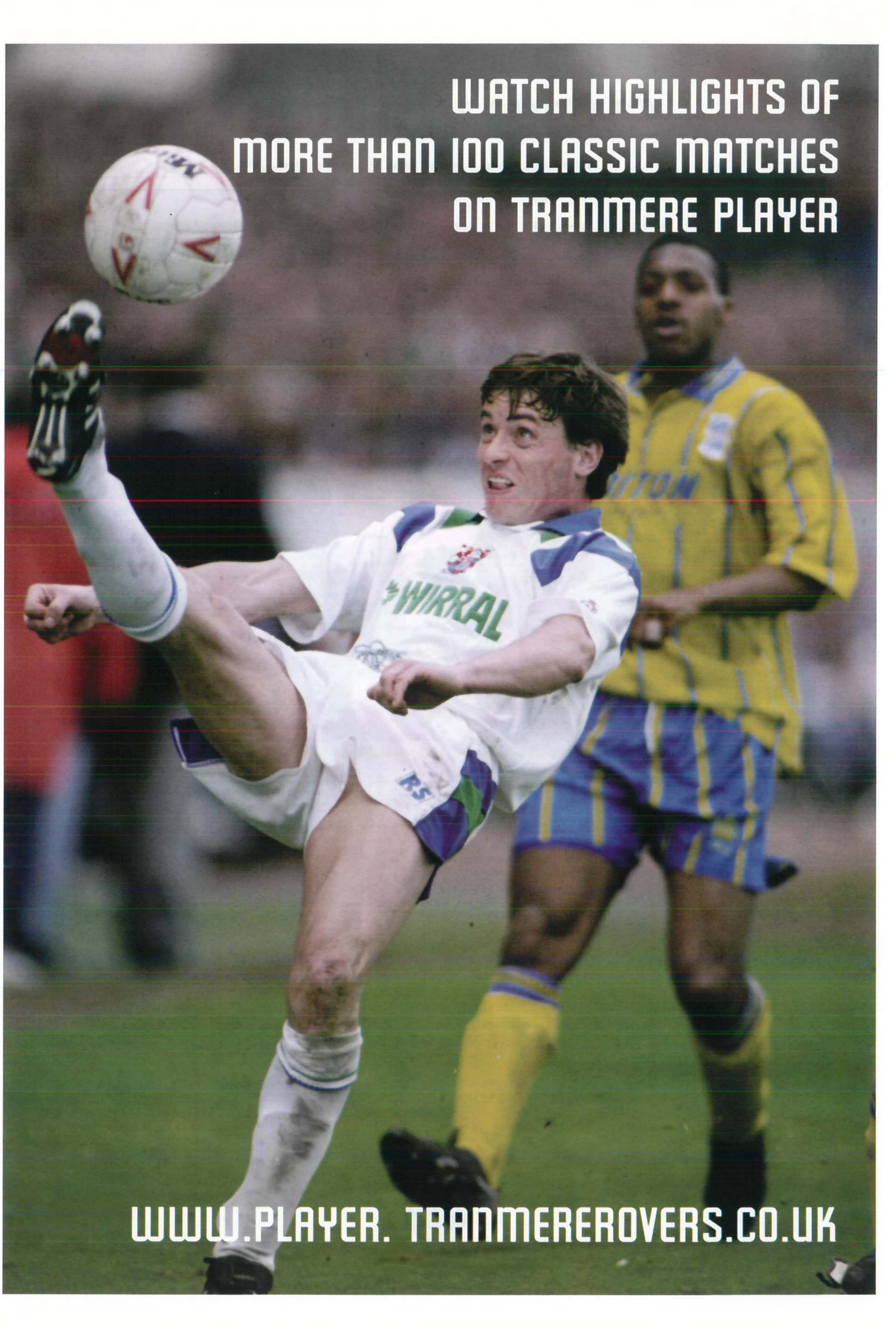
Which famous trophy is this?
...See if you can also name the team that won it recently...



Answers from Peterborough Programme:

HEAD TO HEAD - Jack Wilshire (Arsenal), Evan Horwood (Rovers)

GUESS THE STADIUM: KC Stadium, Hull City FC GUESS THE CLUB CREST: Fleetwood Town

A soccer player in a white jersey with "WIRRAL" on the front is captured mid-air, performing a bicycle kick. A soccer ball is suspended in the air above his head. In the background, another player in a yellow and blue kit is visible. The scene is set on a grassy field with a blurred crowd in the background.

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Bolton Wanderers

Will Trotters cup exploits kick start their season?



Tranmere renew their rivalry with Bolton today, as the Championship club return to Prenton Park for this evening's Capital One Cup second round match.

The club have met in a number of key and infamous matches over the last 22 years, leading to the development of a one time intense rivalry.

These include Rovers' 1-0 win over the Trotters in the 1991 play-off final, their league-cup semi final success in 2000 and Lee Jones' 90th securing a 2-2 draw at Prenton Park in 1997, preventing Bolton from becoming the first club to reach 100 points and score 100 goals in the same season in doing so.

The Wanderers were victorious on their last trip to the Wirral though, with Mark Davies goal handing them a slender 1-0 win in 2009, also in a League Cup tie.

The rivalry has cooled over the last decade due to managerial changes, Bolton's position as a Premier League club and Tranmere dropping to League One.

However, two seasons ago the Trotters lost their top-flight status when they were relegated to the Championship. Manager Owen Coyle was then sacked after a poor start to the 2012/13 campaign, with Dougie Freedman appointed as his replacement. And with the ex-Crystal Palace boss in charge, they were amongst the favourites for promotion this season. But the Reebok Stadium side haven't

enjoyed the best of starts to the season, and are yet to record a league win at the time of writing.

They opened the campaign with a good 1-1 draw away to Burnley before beating Shrewsbury 3-1 to reach this stage of the Capital One Cup.

A second 1-1 draw in as many league matches followed against Reading before Bolton's unbeaten start to the season came to an end with a 3-0 defeat to Nottingham Forest on August 17th.

On Saturday, they then hosted QPR, after this programme went to print. Of the five goals scored so far, midfielder Darren Pratley has netted twice, whilst youngster Sanmi Odelusi bagged a brace in the Shrewsbury win. The other goal scorer was 19-year old summer signing Robert Hall, who

joined from West Ham for an undisclosed fee.

Other arrivals this year include Wallasey born midfielder Jay Spearing from Liverpool, former Leicester striker Jermaine Beckford and ex-Blackpool defender Alex Baptiste. They add to a squad that already included goalkeeper Adam Bogdan, Korean midfielder Lee Chung-Yong and former Oldham striker Craig Davies.

Another star in the squad is ex-England international Zat Knight, who is a man mountain of a defender at centre-half. Players to represent both Tranmere and Bolton in the past include Michael O'Halloran, who was on loan at Prenton Park from the Trotters last season, Michael Ricketts, Scott Taylor and Frank Worthington.

FACTUALLY 2013-2014

...Wanderers unveiled a statue at the weekend, at the North West corner of the Reebok Stadium, as a tribute to Nat Lofthouse...

Matty Jones





Squad 2013-2014

Goalkeepers...

- 1 Adam Bogdan
- 24 Andy Lonergan
- 34 Jay Lynch

Defenders...

- 2 Tyrone Mears
- 4 Matt Mills
- 5 Tim Ream
- 12 Zat Knight
- 15 Alex Baptiste
- 20 Joe Riley
- 23 Marc Tierney
- 31 David Wheater

Midfielders...

- 6 Jay Spearing
- 7 Chris Eagles
- 14 Andre Moritz
- 16 Mark Davies
- 21 Darren Pratley
- 22 Stuart Holden
- 25 Joshua Vela
- 27 Chung-Yong Lee
- 44 Mohamed Medo

Strikers...

- 9 David Ngog
- 10 Jermaine Beckford
- 11 Robert Hall
- 28 Craig Davies
- 32 Tom Eaves
- 38 Sanmi Odelusi

Mark Ridgway

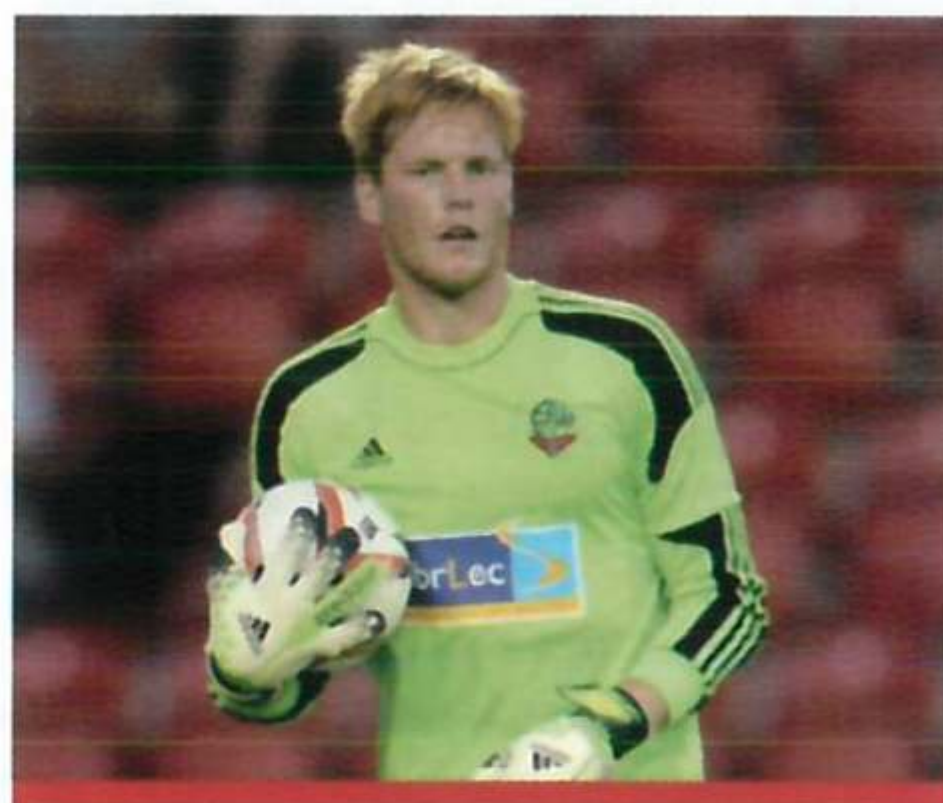


Chris Eagles

Position: Midfielder

Nationality: English

Once a promising Manchester United youngster, Eagles' chances at Old Trafford were limited, despite netting at Goodison Park in a 4-2 win. It was during four loan spells where the winger made his name, including time with N.E.C. in France, before he moved to Burnley permanently. The 27-year-old enjoyed three seasons, including one in the Premier League, at Turf Moor, where he netted 25 times. Neighbours Bolton came calling in 2011 and took him back to the top flight, but relegation followed and now Eagles, who has 18 Wanderers goals to date, finds himself back in the Championship.



Ádám Bogdán

Position: Goalkeeper

Nationality: Hungarian

After starting his career in his native country, Hungary, Bogdan swapped Vasas for Bolton in 2007 and was patient, staying in the shadows of Jussi Jaaskelainen. His debut in England came on loan at Crewe in 2009, where he played once before returning to the Reebok Stadium. Injuries for Jaaskelainen became more common, and his departure was mainly due to the consistency of the new number one, Bogdan.



Jermaine Beckford

Position: Striker

Nationality: English

A well known name around the Football League, Beckford has proved himself a deadly finisher, especially during a four year stint at Leeds. After being picked from non-league, a loan at Scunthorpe gave Beckford the confidence he then displayed in abundance at Elland Road. A Premier League stint with Everton followed, before time at Leicester, Huddersfield and now Bolton.



Craig Davies

Position: Striker
Nationality: English

A Manchester City youth product, it took Davies a while to settle, after starting at Oxford and then moving to Italy. Time at various English clubs followed, but it was at Chesterfield where the striker began to flourish. He found the net 25 times for the Spireites and alerted Barnsley to his capabilities, for whom he was prolific last season, persuading Bolton to splash £300,00 on him during the summer.



Darren Pratley

Position: Midfielder
Nationality: English

Pratley was part of the Swansea team that steamrolled through the Football League. The midfielder began at Fulham, where he made a single appearance, but shone during two lengthy loan spells at Brentford. A £100,000 deal took him to Wales, where he stayed until their promotion from the Championship and netted a memorable brace against arch-rivals, Cardiff. The 28-year-old moved to Bolton in 2011.



Jay Spearing

Position: Midfielder
Nationality: English

A player who needs no introduction in these parts, born down the road, Spearing came through Liverpool's youth system and spent five seasons in the first team. The midfielder made over 50 appearances for the Reds, including in a 4-0 win over Real Madrid. Loans to the Championship with Leicester and Bolton are also on his CV, with the later acquiring his services on a permanent transfer recently.



David Wheeler

Position: Defender
Nationality: English

Wheeler was at Middlesbrough for 14 years, where he developed from a youngster into a recognised Premier League defender. The centre-half made over 150 appearances for Boro, but also spent time out on loan with Doncaster, Wolves and Darlington, before cementing a first team place at the Riverside Stadium. England under 21 caps followed, and in January 2011 Bolton swooped with an undisclosed fee for his services.



Zat Knight

Position: Midfielder
Nationality: English

An England international in Bolton's ranks, Knight played twice under Sven Goran Eriksson against USA and Columbia in 2005, whilst at Fulham. The 6ft 6inch centre-half was at Craven Cottage for eight years and made nearly 200 appearances, before moving to Aston Villa for £3.5m. Two seasons in an exciting Villa side alerted Bolton, where he moved further north to link up with Gary Megson at a cost of £4m.



David Ngog

Position: Striker
Nationality: French

Another former Liverpool man, the lanky striker spent three seasons at Anfield where he netted 19 times, after signing from PSG for £1.5m in 2008. The 24-year-old netted crucial goals against Manchester United and Arsenal, and was given plenty of game time by Rafa Benitez. The signings of Luis Suarez and Andy Carroll would reduced his chances however, and a £4m move to Bolton was sealed in 2011.



The Manager Dougie Freedman



Ryan Ferguson's managerial overview for tonight's visitors

Freedman was appointed Bolton boss in October 2012, and has since revitalised a club which hopes for a Premier League return this season.

A Scottish international striker, Freedman made his league debut with Barnet in 1994. A fantastic debut campaign, in which the Glaswegian netted twenty-four times, alerted bigger clubs to his talent and, eventually, he moved to Crystal Palace for £800,000. The potent centre-forward repaid the Selhurst faithful with a fantastic goal haul in a first season which included an eleven-minute hat-trick. Whilst less prolific in his second season, Freedman was instrumental in securing Premier League promotion for the club; his brace of 89th and 90th minute goals in a play-off semi-final affording the Eagles a Wembley opportunity which they didn't waste.

Freedman experimented with brief stints away at Wolves and Nottingham

Forest, but rejoined Palace in the new millennium.

A fee of just £600,000 bought Palace nearly 250 appearances and over a century of goals from a loyal player who became a legend. A legacy of important goals, including those to preserve from relegation and help towards promotion, earned Freedman the eternal admiration of Crystal Palace fans everywhere. After rounding-out a lengthy playing career with Leeds and Southend, Freedman returned to Selhurst Park in a coaching capacity under Paul Hart and George Burley. When the latter was fired on New Year's Day 2011, Freedman assumed temporary charge. A run of positive results saved the club from relegation danger, and earned the young coach a permanent two-year contract. The following season, Freedman oversaw a storied run to the League Cup semi-finals, and again consolidated the club as a Championship entity.

A phenomenal Palace start to the 2012-13 campaign piqued the interest of Bolton, who struck a compensation package which brought Freedman to the Reebok. The Trotters were refreshed by his enthusiastic vision, and fell just short of a playoff place last term. This season, the likable Freedman aims to add another promotion to his impressive CV.



LAST FIVE MANAGERS

Jimmy Phillips / Sammy Lee
October 2012

Owen Coyle
January 2010 - October 2012

Steve Wigley
December 2009 - January 2010

Chris Evans
December 2009 - January 2010

Gary Megson
October 2007 - December 2009



...Gary Megson...



...at Crystal Palace 2004...



Trotters Facts & Figures

...Recent Game...

Nottingham Forest (Away)

Lost 0-3 (HT 0-1)

Sky Bet Championship

Saturday 17th August 2013, City Ground

Goalscorers: N/A

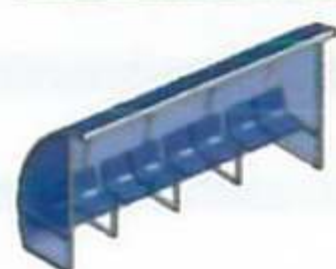
STARTING XI

Bogdan

Baptiste Knight wheater Tierney

Cheug-Yong Medo Spearing Hall

Pratley Davies



Loneragan, Mearns, Ream, Moritz,
Beckford, Eaves, Odelusi

...Numbers Game...

34

...Players used during the 2012-2013 season

12

...Goals scored by Cris Eagles last season

25

...Shots from former Tranmere loanee Marvin Sordell in 2012-2013

...Previous Visits...

Carling Cup Second Round,
Tuesday 25th August 2009

Tranmere Rovers 0, Bolton Wanderers 1

Goalscorer: Mark Davies.

Tranmere: Daniels, Edds, Taylor, Goodison, Cresswell, Shuker (Barnett 64), Welsh, McLaren, Mahon (Fraughan 78), Curran (Ricketts 64), Gornell.

Substitutes not used: Collister, Broomes, Macauley.

Bolton: Jaaskelainen, Cahill, Knight, Elmander, Kevin Davies, Davis, Mark Davies (Lee 64), Jilloyd Samuel, Taylor, Muamba (McCann 80). Substitutes not used: Al Habsi, Steinsson, Robinson, O'Brien, Ward.

Referee: Nigel Miller.



...He Played For Both Clubs...



Tranmere Rovers and Bolton Wanderers are just two of many clubs that Frank Worthington represented throughout his career. After starting out at Huddersfield Town, Worthington arrived at Bolton in 1977 and went on to help the club to promotion as well as winning the golden shoe for himself. He joined Tranmere in 1985 as player manager and was in charge at Prenton Park for 19 months.

...Last 6 Games...



Tuesday 23rd July 2013
Carlisle United (A)
Lost 0-1



Friday 26th July 2013
Real Betis (H)
Lost 0-2



Saturday 3rd August 2013
Burnley (A)
Drew 1-1



Tuesday 6th August 2013
Shrewsbury Town (A)
Won 3-1



Saturday 10th August 2013
Reading (H)
Drew 1-1



Saturday 17th August 2013
Nottingham Forest (A)
Lost 0-3

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August 27th has been a profitable date to play on for Tranmere in recent years, with the club winning their last five games played on this day - a run stretching back to 1996.

It is a run which began with a 2-0 win over Port Vale at Prenton Park which sent Tranmere to the top of Division One after three games of the season.

Alan Mahon and Graham Branch bagged the goals as for John Aldridge, who had taken over from the legendary John King, to begin his first full-season in charge of the Whites with back-to-back home victories.

After the turn of the millennium, the success continued as a trip to the Stoke saw the Super White Army return to the Wirral with all three points thanks to goals from Clint Hill and Sean Flynn; Peter Thorne's penalty being no more than a consolation for the Potters.

It was Rovers' first league win of the 2001/02 season and their first win since being relegated into Division Two (now known as League One).

The winning trend carried on as Sheffield Wednesday were defeated under the lights at Friday night football at Prenton Park. A crowd of 9,506 were treated to a six-goal game, five of which came in the first half.

Calvin Zola headed home Ryan Taylor's cross after 12 minutes to give the home side an early lead and Mike Jackson doubled it shortly after to put Tranmere in control.

However, the Owls pulled a goal back as Steve MacLean halved the deficit but Taylor himself got on the scoresheet, converting from the penalty spot after Iain Hume was brought down by Guy Branston.

Guylain Ndumbu-Nsungu capped a frantic first half by bringing Wednesday back into the game on the stroke of half-time.

The second half saw Iain Hume's deflected strike put the game beyond the Yorkshire side before Branston sent off for an elbow on Eugene Dadi to compound a miserable night for the visitors.

Finalising the unbeaten run on this day are a pair of 2-0 victories on the road.

In 2005, a stunning long-range free-kick from Gareth Roberts in injury-time capped a comfortable away win for the Whites after Mike Jackson had given Rovers the lead whilst goals from Robbie Weir and Andy Robinson were enough for the three points at Brentford in 2011.



On This Day



Sam Robinson's Rovers Retrospective



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Save The Rovers!

Last season saw three clubs in League 1 reach the brink of the financial cliff and their very existence was brought into question...

Portsmouth who had won the FA Cup only a few years earlier found themselves lose another ten points, Coventry City looked like they'd have to move out of Coventry and Bury nearly disappeared forever.

Tranmere may have on of the smallest budgets in the League but with a sound executive the club has been able to stay a float. However thirty years ago Tranmere became the first club to go into modern Administration.

Tranmere had never been a cash rich club, surviving season to season selling their best players to keep a float. By the 1970s this formula was still the best option to keep the club going so in 1978 Tynan and Moore were sold for around £100,000 each.

As well as selling players Tranmere has maintained a strong fan base whose gate receipts kept the club going through the season. However during the 1970s and 80s unemployment stood at two million nationally and work in the area was in short supply. Attendance fell to 1,500 supporters, which was lower than when Tranmere were a non league club.

The club though tried to turn things around selling land by Prenton Park for the Clipper pub to be built and the club's first shirt sponsors, Storeton Motors, were signed.

But it wasn't enough - as the debts kept rising the club's future looked in real doubt.

By 1981 Tranmere only just secured re-election to the football league with the sale of Jim Lunby to Mansfield.

The troubles at Prenton Park began to attract national attention and the BBC documentary *Forty Minutes* filmed a short piece on the club's problems, but it was never aired.

Tranmere was in dire need of investment and Birkenhead born but US based tycoon Billy McAteer seem a good fit.

Negotiations broke down leaving the London based businessman Tony Kramer to place a bid for the club. At a meeting at the Birkenhead YMCA he claimed he'd bring George Best to the club if he took over Tranmere. But the Tranmere Management didn't trust his motives and he failed in his take over bid.

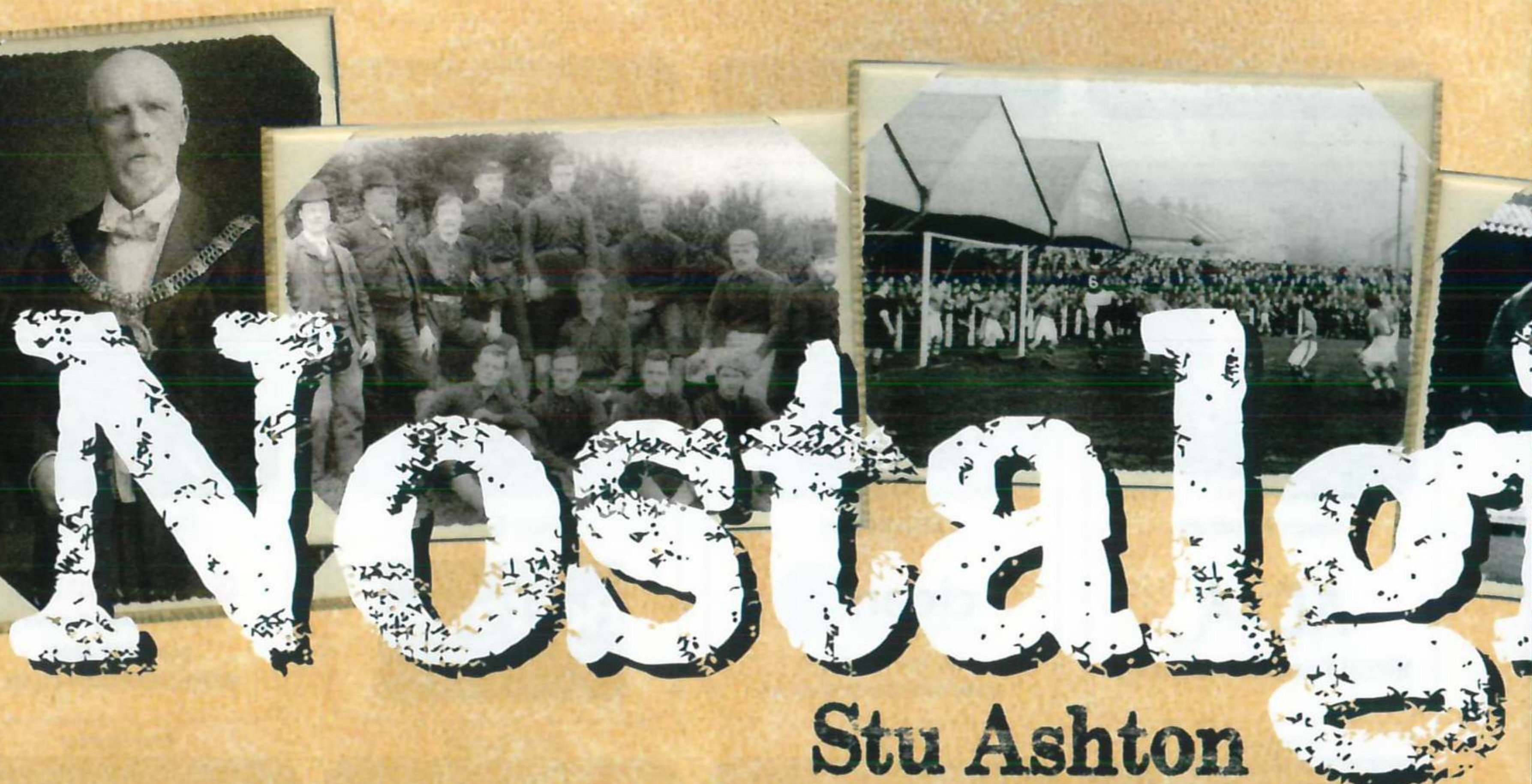
With the debts still rising the Save the Rovers Fund was established which saw Tranmere play charity matches against the likes of Liverpool, Wolves and Manchester United to raise funds.

The club's real lifeline though came from an unlikely source as Wirral Council loaned the club £200,000. This loan would lead to a partnership lasting between the two lasting nearly thirty years.

The loan was only a stop gap and it wasn't until a San Francisco based business man Bruce Osterman stepped in that the club achieve some stability. Osterman enjoyed training with the players and came to Birkenhead three or four times a season.

For several seasons his investment secured the club's future but overspending on directors' wages meant the club's debts soon rose again. Added to this the club's attendance had fallen to just a thousand.

Osterman could only see one option to save Tranmere Rover.....sell Prenton Park!! A ground which had been the home of Rovers for 80 years was now being valued for its possible sale.





Bruce Osterman

The plan was to sell the ground for £4 million to allow a Tesco Hypermarket built on the site of Prenton Park. The £4 million would have cleared the debt and left enough money for Tranmere to build a new ground. However when seeking permission from Wirral Council (who were still owed £200,000) it became clear Osterman had no plans for a new ground.

Osterman threatened that if permission was not granted he would wind up Tranmere Rovers completely. Wirral Council called his bluff and stopped the sale of Prenton Park. Tranmere had no option left except to be the first club in the country to go into the modern form of administration. Fearing for the future of the club the lifetime Tranmere fan and director George Higham stepped in and stripped Osterman of his powers.

Eventually Osterman's shares were sold to local businessman Peter Johnson and under his ownership Tranmere have seen some of the best success in the club's history.



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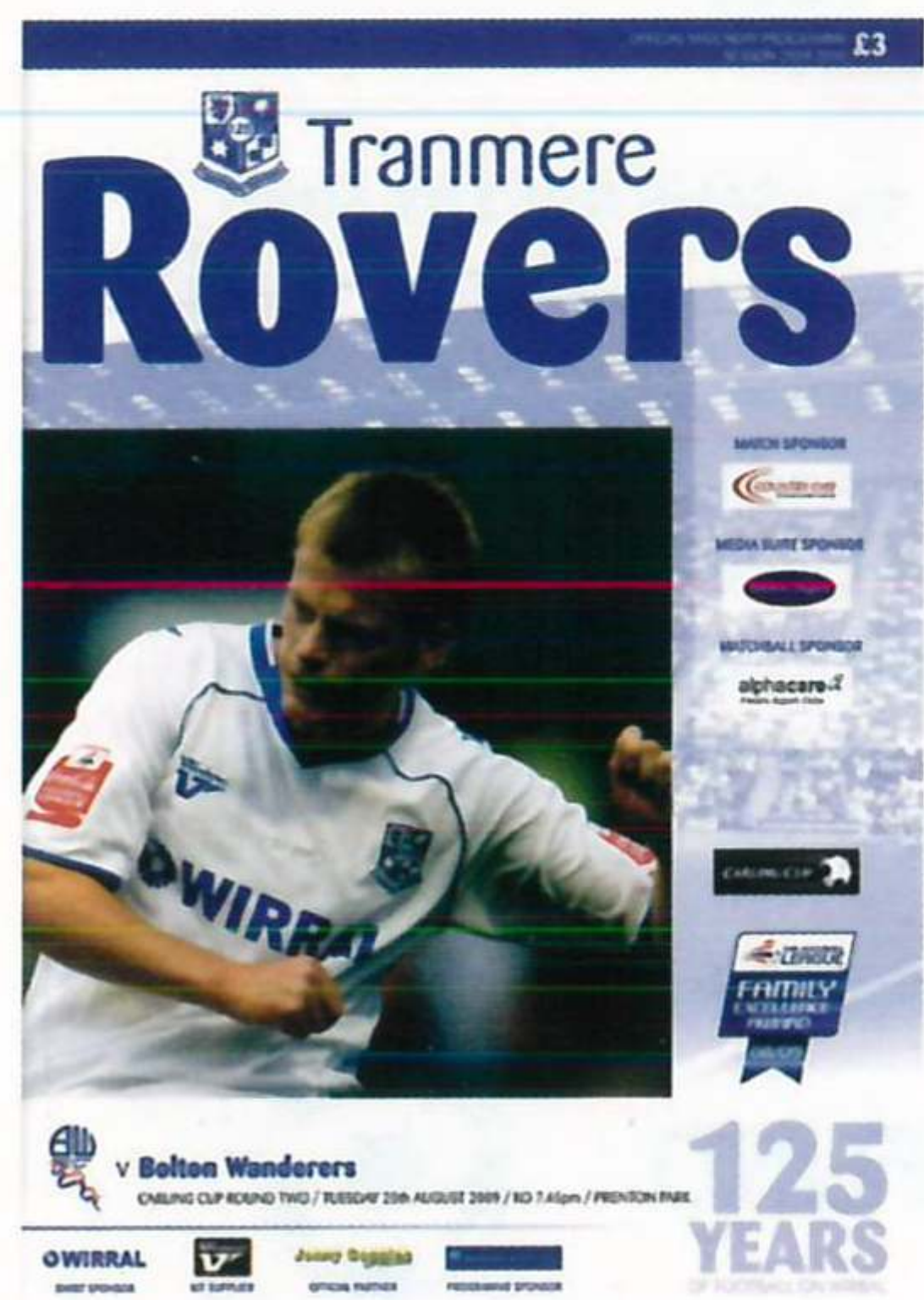
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Just as it is for professional footballers, diet is an important part of a young footballer's life.

With this in mind, the parents of Centre of Excellence players at Tranmere Rovers are given a booklet on diet and nutrition. When I was a young footballer, I knew nothing about the importance of nutrition for players and would have done anything to help me improve. Today's young players have that opportunity.

The booklet we give their parents tells them what their children should eat and when to help them as footballers. For example, when young boys get home from school, they are often very hungry. But if they eat their evening meal straight away, they will struggle with training a couple of hours later. So in that circumstance we recommend things like yoghurt, bananas, salads and soup - things that can be digested in time for their training. Like professionals, our players also have to eat differently before games or training according to what time or where they are. The food they eat would be different if it was before a long trip to Carlisle than if it was before training at Prenton Park.

After sport it is important they get a quick supply of energy, so things like jelly beans are great to have at the venue of the match or training session before they have tea when they get home.

If we educate the young players enough it becomes second nature to them, and looking after their diets will help them later in their careers if they are successful and become professionals.

Kenny Shiels
Head of Youth and Centre of Excellence Manager

We have a great rarity on offer tonight! I have managed to find a programme from the blink-and-you-missed-it John Barnes era, which lasted for just a few short months in 2009...

Coincidentally The Trotters found themselves visiting Wirral at the same Second Round stage as tonight, but there was one major difference as Gary Megson's side were proud members of The Premier League.

Programme Details

Price: £3
Pages: 64

Contents Breakdown:

Text 29%
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Star Feature

Warwick Rimmer, who has legendary status at both clubs, was the fascinating subject of "The Target Man" profile. Having joined Bolton aged just fifteen; Warwick made more than 500 appearances in a 14 year stint before taking his skills as a tough-tackling half-back on to Crewe. Although he explained why the fact that he was playing meant that his time at Burnden Park was the most enjoyable part of his career, it has surely been his incredible work in developing millions of pounds worth of youth talent at Tranmere which has had the greatest impact. The likes of Iain Hume, Ryan Taylor, Tony Thomas, Kenny Irons, Ged Brannan and, of course, Jason Koumas all owe him an enormous debt.

Star Photo

There was a double-page spread of photo highlights from some of our epic clashes with Wanderers, but one image, which I've never seen printed elsewhere, stood out for me. Taken from behind the Wembley goal in which Chris Malkin scored his famous Play-off Final winner against Bolton in 1991, it showed the thousands of Rovers fans celebrating at the far end of the stadium,

while the claret and blue shirted players began to converge on the elated scorer, who was rocking on his back on the lush turf.

Other Content

Chairman, Peter Johnson, and manager, John Barnes, used their columns to reflect on the disappointing start to the season made by the new-look Tranmere team. One of the few highlights had been the 4-0 Carling Cup First Round victory over Grimsby which had earned us a crack at Bolton. While the manager was very critical of his players for their dismal showing in a 0-3 hammering at Leeds the previous Saturday, our Chairman was in more optimistic mood, even hoping that the hopelessly out-of-condition, Michael Ricketts, may be nearing full match fitness! How the one time England striker had seen his fortunes sink since his time at Bolton. Recently departed Kilmarnock boss Kenny Shiels was our head of Youth and Centre of Excellence Manager and explained how the right diet is vital to a young player's development.

Match Details

I'm hoping my good friend Wil McManus will be one of the disappointed Bolton fans at the final whistle, so I hope he appreciates my kind gesture in reviewing a programme from a match that his team actually won! In a much improved display Rovers came close to matching their top flight opponents. A single Kevin Davies strike late in the first half was enough to take the trotters through to Round Three.

Memory Test

Tranmere's keeper on the night, and indeed for most of the 2009-10 season, was Luke Daniels, but can you remember the club from which we took him on loan? Answer from Peterborough Programme **Did you identify Tony Thomas as the Tranmere player, who made his debut as a substitute against The Posh in February, 1989?*

Tony Evans

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Date	Opposition	Result	Atten	Pos	Away	Cat	Goalscorers				
Sat Aug 3	A Walsall	L 1-3	4,788	22nd	976	--	Robinson (40)	Fon Williams	Holmes	Horwood	Taylor
Tue Aug 6	H MANSFIELD TOWN (CAPR1)	W 2-0	3,067	--	173	--	Robinson (2), Atkinson (45)	Fon Williams	Holmes	Horwood	Taylor
Sat Aug 10	H CRAWLEY TOWN	D 3-3	4,763	19th	135	B	Thompson (16, 44), Lowe (90)	Fon Williams	Holmes	Horwood	Taylor
Sat Aug 17	A Crewe Alexandra	L 1-2	4,720	19th	898	--	Akpa Akpro (87)	Fon Williams	Holmes SO	Horwood	Taylor
Sat Aug 24	H PETERBOROUGH UNITED	3.00pm				B					
Tue Aug 27	H BOLTON WANDERERS (CAPR2)	7.45pm				B					
Sat Aug 31	A Oldham Athletic	3.00pm				--					
Tue Sep 3	H FLEETWOOD TOWN (JPT1)	7.00pm				--					
Sat Sep 7	H STEVENAGE	3.00pm				B					
Sat Sep 14	H BRENTFORD	3.00pm				B					
Sat Sep 21	A Notts County	3.00pm				--					
Sat Sep 28	H PORT VALE	3.00pm				B					
Sat Oct 5	A Swindon Town	3.00pm				--					
Sat Oct 12	A Bradford City	3.00pm				--					
Sat Oct 19	H LEYTON ORIENT	3.00pm				B					
Tue Oct 22	A Rotherham United	7.45pm				--					
Sat Oct 26	H MILTON KEYNES DONS	3.00pm				B					
Sat Nov 2	A Preston North End	3.00pm				--					
Sat Nov 9	FA Cup R1	TBC				--					
Sat Nov 16	H BRISTOL CITY	3.00pm				B					
Sat Nov 23	A Coventry City	3.00pm				--					
Tue Nov 26	A Wolverhampton Wanderers	7.45pm				--					
Sat Nov 30	H COLCHESTER UNITED	3.00pm				B					
Sat Dec 7	FA Cup R2	TBC				--					
Sat Dec 14	A Carlisle United	3.00pm				--					
Fri Dec 20	H GILLINGHAM	7.45pm				C					
Thur Dec 26	A Shrewsbury Town	3.00pm				--					
Sun Dec 29	A Sheffield United	3.00pm				--					
Wed Jan 1	H WOLVERHAMPTON W.	3.00pm				A					
Sat Jan 4	A Crawley Town	3.00pm				--					
Sat Jan 11	H WALSALL	3.00pm				B					
Sat Jan 18	A Peterborough United	3.00pm				--					
Sat Jan 25	H CREWE ALEXANDRA	3.00pm				B					
Tue Jan 28	H ROTHERHAM UNITED	7.45pm				C					
Sat Feb 1	A Milton Keynes Dons	3.00pm				--					
Sat Feb 8	H PRESTON NORTH END	3.00pm				A					
Sat Feb 15	A Bristol City	3.00pm				--					
Sat Feb 22	H COVENTRY CITY	3.00pm				B					
Sat Mar 1	H OLDHAM ATHLETIC	3.00pm				B					
Sat Mar 8	A Stevenage	3.00pm				--					
Tue Mar 11	A Brentford	7.45pm				--					
Sat Mar 15	H NOTTS COUNTY	3.00pm				B					
Sat Mar 22	A Port Vale	3.00pm				--					
Tue Mar 25	H SWINDON TOWN	7.45pm				C					
Sat Mar 29	H CARLISLE UNITED	3.00pm				B					
Sat Apr 5	A Colchester United	3.00pm				--					
Sat Apr 12	H SHREWSBURY TOWN	3.00pm				B					
Fri Apr 18	A Gillingham	3.00pm				--					
Mon Apr 21	H SHEFFIELD UNITED	3.00pm				A					
Sat Apr 26	A Leyton Orient	3.00pm				--					
Sat May 3	H BRADFORD CITY	3.00pm				B					



P - First player substituted P - Second player substituted P - Third player substituted SO - Player sent off

							Sub	Sub	Sub	Sub	Sub	Sub	Sub	Referee
Foster	Robinson	Atkinson	Power	Lowe	Sodje	Akpo Akpro	Mooney	Goodison	Thompson	Rowe	Koumas	Baggie	Stockton	B. Malone
Foster	Thompson	Robinson	Rowe	Atkinson	Lowe	Sodje	Mooney	Goodison	Kirby	Koumas	Baggie	Stockton	Akpa Akpro	D. Webb
Foster	Thompson	Robinson	Atkinson	Power	Lowe	Sodje	Mooney	Goodison	Rowe	Koumas	Baggie	Stockton	Akpa Akpro	K. Hill
Foster	Thompson	Robinson	Atkinson	Power	Lowe	Akpo Akpro	Mooney	Rowe	Kirby	Koumas	Baggie	Stockton	Jones	A. Madley



Tranmere Rovers versus Fleetwood Town

Johnstone's Paint Trophy First Round

Tuesday 3rd September 2013

PLEASE NOTE: Kick Off 7.00pm at Prenton Park



ADMISSION PRICES

Adults £10.00 Concessions (Seniors 65+, Young Persons 17-22 and Under 17s £5.00. Adults, Seniors (65+) and Under-17s can pay cash on the turnstiles (tickets required in advance for the Main Stand and Family Paddock as usual). Seniors will need to provide photographic proof of age. Young Persons need to buy tickets from the Club Shop or Ticket Office prior to the match with valid ID.

Suite prices, which include free programmes and refreshments, have also been reduced:

Dixie Dean Suite: Adults £33, Juniors £16.50 (also includes hot meal)

Vice Presidents' Suite: Adults £23, Juniors £11.50 (also includes half time snack)

Tranmere Suite: Adults £18, Juniors £9.00

Tranmere Suite, Vice Presidents' Suite and Dixie Dean Suite season ticket holders will be admitted free of charge.

Due to the expected attendance for this fixture, only the following stands will be open:

Main Stand, Paddocks and the Lower Kop.

Visiting supporters will be situated in the Cowshed Stand.

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Player & League Statistics Season 2013-2014

TRANMERE ROVERS 2013-2014 PLAYER STATS

Surname	First Name	DOB	POS	League 1			FA Cup			Capital One			JPT			Rovers career		
				App	Sub	Gls	App	Sub	Gls	App	Sub	Gls	App	Sub	Gls	App	Sub	Gls
Akpa Akpro	Jean-Louis	4/1/1985	Striker	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	31	3	9
Atkinson	Chris	12/3/1992	Midfielder	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	4	0	1
Baggie	Abdulai	28/4/1992	Striker	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	14	2
Fon Williams	Owain	17/3/1987	Goalkeeper	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	95	0	0
Foster	Stephen	18/9/1980	Defender	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0
Goodison	Ian	21/11/1972	Defender	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	376	14	13
Holmes	Danny	6/1/1989	Defender	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	80	1	2
Horwood	Evan	10/3/1986	Defender	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0
Jones	Andrai	1/1/1992	Defender	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Kirby	Jake	9/5/1994	Midfielder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0
Koumas	Jason	25/9/1979	Midfielder	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	114	40	30
Low	Ryan	18/9/1978	Striker	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	1
Mooney	Jason	27/8/1988	Goalkeeper	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Power	Max	27/7/1993	Midfielder	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32	9	4
Robinson	Andy	3/11/1979	Midfielder	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	77	14	17
Rowe	James	21/10/1991	Midfielder	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Sodje	Akpo	31/1/1980	Striker	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
Stockton	Cole	13/3/1994	Striker	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	28	6
Taylor	Ash	2/9/1989	Defender	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	149	12	8
Thompson	Joe	5/3/1989	Midfielder	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	14	13	4
Wallace	James	19/12/1991	Midfielder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	0	4

*Indicates player has left club

LEAGUE TABLE

Not including weekend results

		Home					Away					GD	Pts
		P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F		
1	Leyton Orient	3	1	0	0	3	0	2	0	0	6	1	8
2	Peterborough	3	2	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	4	2	9
3	Wolves	3	1	0	0	4	0	1	1	0	2	1	7
4	Walsall	3	1	1	0	4	2	1	0	0	1	0	7
5	Colchester	3	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	2	1	7
6	Brentford	3	1	0	0	3	1	0	2	0	2	2	5
7	Rotherham	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	5	4	5
8	MK Dons	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	2	2	5
9	Bradford	3	1	0	0	4	0	0	1	1	3	4	4
10	Crawley	3	1	0	1	4	4	0	1	0	3	3	4
11	Crewe	3	1	1	0	5	4	0	0	1	0	1	4
12	Port Vale	3	1	1	0	3	2	0	0	1	0	1	4
13	Sheff Utd	3	1	1	0	3	2	0	0	1	1	3	4
14	Shrewsbury	3	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	3	4
15	Preston	3	0	2	0	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	3
16	Oldham	3	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	5	5	3
17	Swindon	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	3	3
18	Bristol C	3	0	1	1	3	4	0	0	1	4	5	1
19	Tranmere	3	0	1	0	3	3	0	0	2	2	5	1
20	Notts Co	3	0	0	1	2	4	0	1	1	2	3	1
21	Gillingham	3	0	1	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	4	1
22	Stevenage	3	0	0	2	3	5	0	0	1	0	1	0
23	Carlisle	3	0	0	2	1	9	0	0	1	0	4	0
24	Coventry	3	1	0	0	5	4	1	0	1	6	3	-4 *

*Coventry deducted 10 points

FIXTURES

Second Round Fixtures featuring League 1 Clubs

Tuesday 27th August 2013

Bristol City v Crystal Palace
Burnley v Preston North End
Carlisle United v Leicester City
Derby County v Brentford
Leyton Orient v Hull City
Liverpool v Notts County
Peterborough United v Reading
Queens Park Rangers v Swindon Town
Sunderland v MK Dons

Wednesday 28th August 2013

Aston Villa v Rotherham United
Everton v Stevenage
Stoke City v Walsall

Fixtures kick off 7.45pm
unless stated



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1996 Peter Shilton become first player to make 1000 league appearances

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1891 Goal nets and penalty kicks were introduced
1892 2nd Division introduced

1898 Automatic promotion & relegation introduced
1901 Maximum wage introduced

1914 Footballers' Battalion formed

1920 Football League expands to 66 clubs and introduces a Third division
1921 Expanded to 88 clubs with 3rd Division North & South

1925 New offside law introduced
1927 BBC broadcast first live football league match on the radio

1939 League suspended due to World War II

1949 Record attendances of 41 million
1951 White ball used for the first time in matches

1956 First floodlit game - Portsmouth v. Newcastle United

1960 First ever live Football League match shown on television
1961 Maximum wage abolished

1965 Keith Peacock becomes first Football League substitute
1966 Substitutions for any reason permitted

1981 3 points for a win introduced
1983 Canon become first sponsor of The Football League

1986 Football League Play-Offs introduced
1987 2 substitutes per team introduced

1974 The first ever Football League match played on a Sunday
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“There were a number of surprise results in the first round of the Capital One Cup with a number of big names falling at the first hurdle.”

The opening game of the competition resulted in the first surprise. It was a Lancashire derby between League One Preston North End and Championship side Burnley at Deepdale. The lower-ranked side came out on top in a closely-fought encounter with a single Tom Clarke goal separating the sides.

The following evening saw a few more shocks. The live televised fixture at The Globe Arena between Morecambe and Wolves was one of those. A Ryan Williams free-kick was enough for the Shrimps to overcome a division's difference as they won the tie 1-0.

Football League newcomers Newport County also produced an upset as they defeated 10-man Brighton and Hove Albion 3-1 after extra time. The Seagulls took an early lead but Inigo Calderon's second-half red card resulted in a Newport comeback with Danny Crow equalising to take the game into an additional half-hour. Another goal by Crow and a Conor Washington strike saw the League Two side through.

Middlesbrough suffered a shock at the hands of James Beattie's Accrington Stanley at the Riverside Stadium. Lukas Jutkiewicz had opened the scoring for Boro before goals from Marcus Carver and Piero Mingoia sent Stanley into round two and give Beattie his first win in charge of the club.

There wasn't much joy for the Sheffield clubs in round one. Wednesday were knocked out by Rotherham United 2-1 at the New York Stadium with Lee Frecklington scoring the winner, while their city rivals United fell to a 2-1 home defeat against Burton Albion.

As well as surprise results, round one also produced a large number of goals with a number of high-scoring games.

The highest scoring tie of the round came at Whaddon Road where Cheltenham Town and Crawley Town shared seven goals. The scores were level after 90 minutes at 3-3, but the Robins bagged an extra-time winner to give them a 4-3 victory.

Three sides shared the accolade of being the biggest winners of the round. Charlton Athletic and Burnley were both 4-0 victors over Oxford United and York City respectively, while Peterborough United hit five past Colchester United in a 5-1 triumph at the Weston Homes Community Stadium.

All in all, it was a very entertaining first round of the competition. Let's hope it continues that way all the way to the final.



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Tonight's Squads



Tranmere Rovers

Manager: **Ronnie Moore**

Colours: **White / White / White**

- 1 Owain **Fon Williams** (G/K)
- 2 Danny **Holmes**
- 3 Evan **Horwood**
- 4 Ash **Taylor**
- 5 Ian **Goodison**
- 6 Stephen **Foster**
- 7 Joe **Thompson**
- 8 James **Wallace**
- 9 Ryan **Lowe**
- 10 Andy **Robinson**
- 11 Abdulai **Baggie**
- 12 James **Rowe**
- 14 Chris **Atkinson**
- 15 Jake **Kirby**
- 16 Cole **Stockton**
- 17 Max **Power**
- 18 Andrai **Jones**
- 19 Akpo **Sodje**
- 22 Jason **Koumas**
- 26 Jean-Louis **Akpa Akpro**
- 33 Jason **Mooney** (G/K)



Bolton Wanderers

Manager: **Dougie Freedman**

Colours: **Infrared / Infrared / Infrared**

- 1 Adam **Bogdan**
- 2 Tyrone **Mears**
- 4 Matt **Mills**
- 5 Tim **Ream**
- 6 Jay **Spearing**
- 7 Chris **Eagles**
- 8 Keith **Andrews**
- 9 David **Ngog**
- 10 Jermaine **Beckford**
- 11 Robert **Hall**
- 12 Zat **Knight**
- 14 Andre **Moritz**
- 15 Alex **Baptiste**
- 16 Mark **Davies**
- 19 Marvin **Sordell**
- 20 Joe **Riley**
- 21 Darren **Pratley**
- 22 Stuart **Holden**
- 23 Marc **Tierney**
- 24 Andy **Lonergan**
- 25 Josh **Vela**
- 27 Josh **Young Lee**
- 28 Craig **Davies**
- 29 Jan **Gregus**
- 31 David **Wheater**
- 32 Tom **Eaves**
- 34 Jay **Lynch**
- 36 Cian **Bolger**
- 38 Oluwasanmi **Odelusi**
- 39 Chris **Lester**
- 44 Medo **Kamara**

THE MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: **Stephen Martin**

Assistants: **Andy Hendley & Mark Jones**

Fourth Official: **Peter Gooch**

NEXT HOME GAME: versus **Fleetwood Town**, Johnstone's Paint Trophy First Round, Tuesday 3rd September 2013, **Kick-off 7.00pm**



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